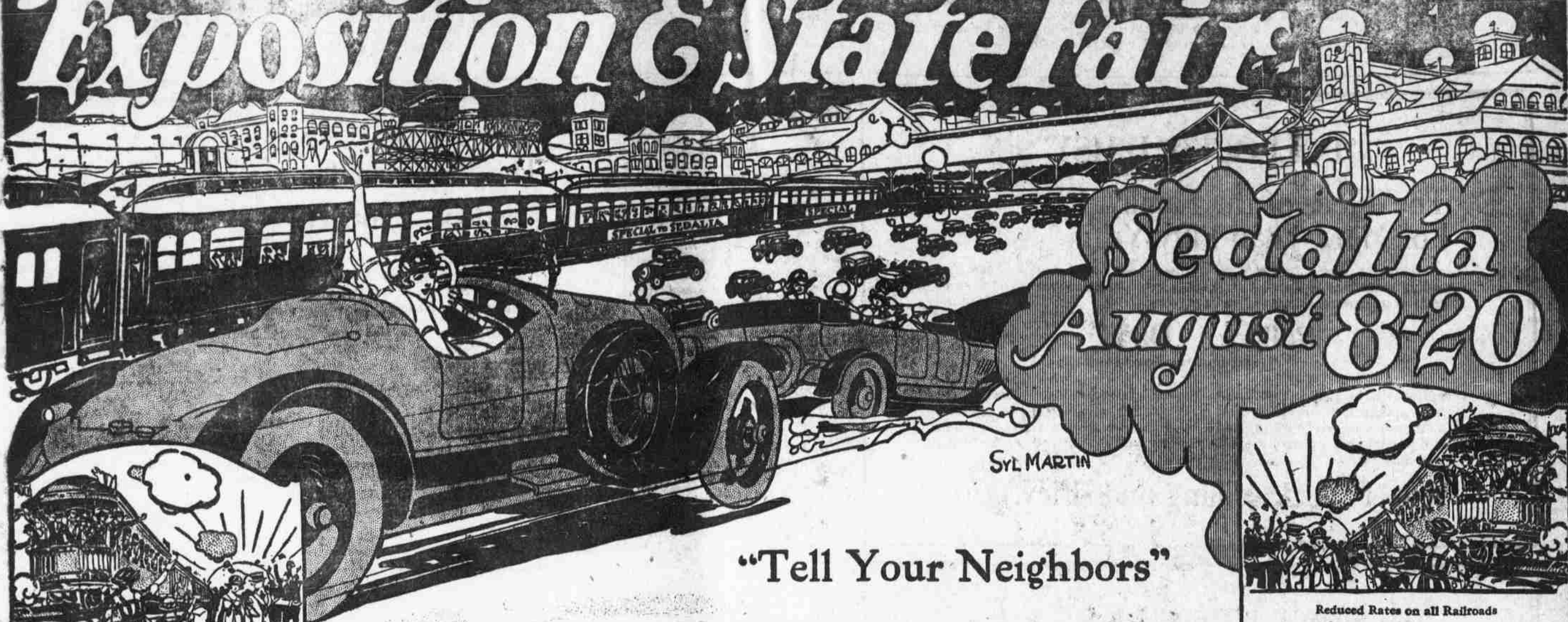


# MISSOURI CENTENNIAL Exposition & State Fair



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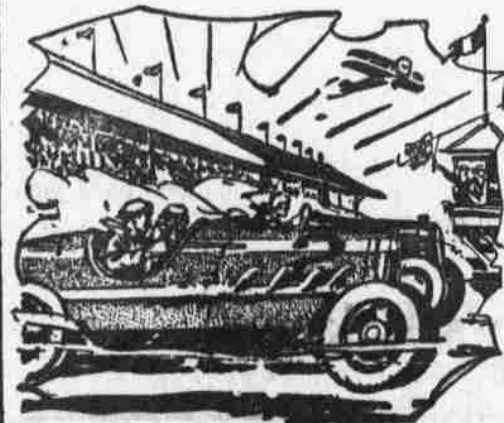
Homecoming of Former Missourians



President Harding will Visit Exposition August 10



Centennial Half-Dollar Coined by United States Mint



Auto Races Monday, August 8



Historical Exhibits Collected From all Parts of the State

YOU must not miss the great Centennial Exposition to be held at Sedalia, August 8-20, in connection with the annual Missouri State Fair. The Grand Opening on August 8 will inaugurate a two-weeks' celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of Missouri's admission to the Union in 1821. An appropriation of \$150,000.00 has been made by the State Legislature for the celebration; and it will be Missouri's greatest show. The exhibits and entertainment features far surpass those of any Fair Missouri has ever had.

THE Pageant of Missouri, a stupendous spectacle depicting in fifteen scenes the history of the State, will be presented each night of the Centennial. Five thousand persons will enact the play on a mammoth 600-foot stage. Exact replicas of the first steamboat to land at St. Louis, the "Zebulon M. Pike," and the first railway train in Missouri have been built for the "Pageant." A commission of historians has approved as historically correct and authentic the story, the costumes and the settings of the production. The perfection of the Pageant in this respect makes it valuable as a dramatized text-book of Missouri history.

Beginning with the explorations of De Soto, LaSalle and Marquette, and continuing to the present time, the action of the "Pageant" depicts the evolution of a mighty sovereign state from a wilderness. In a magnificent scenic environment, with magical lighting effects and correct periodic musical embellishment, the intensely interesting "Pageant" is a spectacle you will never forget. The most scientific stage devices will be used, securing unusually realistic effects. "The Pageant of Missouri" is the dramatic event of the century.

Prize money totaling \$93,220.00, exceeding by \$45,000.00 the greatest amount ever offered before, will be awarded the winners in the various departments. The exhibits will show "Missouri-on-Parade."

Entertainment of the visitors is to be in the hands of twelve big bands and orchestras, sixty troupes of hippodrome actors and acrobats, and such special acts such as that of the famous Ruth Law Flying Circus. From the moment of the Grand Opening until the close of the Fair, exciting and thrilling events crowd each other on the stupendous program.



## THE PAGEANT OF MISSOURI

Twenty-seven tons of paint, shellac and glue are being used in painting the scenery for the great show. If the lumber required for the scenery and properties were to be placed end to end it would reach from St. Louis to Kansas City and back again. Thirty scenic artists have worked since May 20th preparing the gigantic settings which will be used as a background for the thousands of performers. Work on grading the ground for the stage has been in progress for several weeks. A week's time will be required to set up the scenery.

President Harding, General John J. Pershing, General Enoch H. Crowder, and scores of other distinguished visitors are invited to Sedalia for the Centennial-Fair. Missourians from all parts of the world will be present for the celebration of "Missouri Day," August 10, when President Harding's speech will be the principal event. All living descendants of Missouri Governors will hold a reunion on Tuesday, August 9. And these are only a few of the features of the gigantic Exposition. The booklet pictured below, sent free on request, tells you all about it.

Reduced Rates on all Railroads



Tractor Show and Plowing Demonstration



Kings and Queens of the Livestock World on Parade



Horse Races—Many "Grand Circuits" Horses Entered

## SEDALIA IS READY TO ENTERTAIN The CROWDS

Sedalia is ready to take care of a million visitors to the Centennial-Fair. "Every home in Sedalia, from the most humble to the most palatial, will be thrown wide open for your comfort and entertainment," says Mayor F. F. Hatton.

Free tent space in grass-covered "White City" is offered to all who bring their own tents. Or, you may rent tents and equipment from the Exposition management. Write for complete descriptive circular about the free camp grounds.

White City has been planned by civic experts, with the most modern devices for health and sanitation. Mail delivery, ice, water and electric lights provide all the conveniences of a modern home.

## Come and Camp in "White City" Free Tent Space



Address E. G. BYLANDER, General Manager, Sedalia, Mo.

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